

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A front structure of a vehicle comprising:

a toe board extending in a widthwise direction of the vehicle, said toe board being provided in a front part of the vehicle for partitioning an engine compartment containing a power unit therein and a passenger compartment;

a pair of front side frames provided by being spaced apart from each other in a widthwise direction of the vehicle, said front side frames extending in a lengthwise direction from a front part of the vehicle to a lower surface of a floor of the passenger compartment, said front side frames being downwardly bent when in contact with said toe board;

a toe board cross member extending in a widthwise direction of said vehicle between said front side frames so as to connect said front side frames with each other, said toe board cross member and said toe board defining a structure having a closed cross section; and

front suspension member supports provided on said front side frames, said toe board cross member extending to positions in the vicinity of said front suspension member supports.

2. The front structure of a vehicle as claimed in claim 1, wherein said toe board cross member comprises:

an upper member forming a closed cross section extending in a widthwise direction of the vehicle, said upper member being interposed between said toe board and each of said front side frames at positions where said front side frames are brought into contact with said toe board; and

a lower member forming a closed cross section extending in a widthwise direction of the vehicle at a position lower than said upper member, said lower member connecting said positions in the vicinity of said front suspension member supports to each other.

3. The front structure of a vehicle as claimed in claim 1, wherein:
said toe board cross member supports a rear part of said power unit provided in the engine compartment.

4. The front structure of a vehicle as claimed in claim 2, wherein:
said toe board cross member supports a rear part of said power unit provided in the engine compartment.

5. A front structure of a vehicle comprising:

a toe board extending in a widthwise direction of the vehicle, said toe board being provided in a front part of the vehicle for partitioning an engine compartment containing a power unit therein and a passenger compartment;

a pair of front side frames provided by being spaced apart from each other in a widthwise direction of the vehicle, said front side frames extending in a lengthwise direction from a front part of the vehicle to a lower surface of a floor of the passenger compartment, said front side frames being downwardly bent when in contact with said toe board;

a toe board cross member extending in a widthwise direction of said vehicle between said front side frames so as to connect said front side frames with

each other, said toe board cross member and said toe board defining a structure having a closed cross section; and

front suspension member supports provided on said front side frames, said toe board cross member connecting said front suspension member supports to each other.

6. The front structure of a vehicle as claimed in claim 5, wherein said toe board cross member comprises:

an upper member forming a closed cross section extending in a widthwise direction of the vehicle, said upper member being interposed between said toe board and each of said front side frames at positions where said front side frames are brought into contact with said toe board; and

a lower member forming a closed cross section extending in a widthwise direction of the vehicle at a position lower than said upper member, said lower member connecting said front suspension member supports to each other.

7. The front structure of a vehicle as claimed in claim 5, wherein said toe board cross member supports a rear part of said power unit provided in the engine compartment.

8. The front structure of a vehicle as claimed in claim 6, wherein said toe board cross member supports a rear part of said power unit provided in the engine compartment.